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*From Sen. Hatch's office:*

*Prior to that meeting we would like to have any cultural resource inventory information that the BLM has regarding Cedar Mesa in San Juan County. Could the BLM pull that information together – at least to the extent that the BLM has it? I would appreciate it.*

*Ron Dean  
Natural Resources Counsel  
U.S. Senator Orrin G. Hatch  
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On Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 2:58 PM, Moody, Aaron <[aaron.moody@sol.doi.gov](mailto:aaron.moody@sol.doi.gov)> wrote:

Hey- do you happen to have (b) (5) - ACP ? thanks again.

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On Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 2:21 PM, Ashcroft, Tyler <[tashcrof@blm.gov](mailto:tashcrof@blm.gov)> wrote:

Aaron,  
Good to hear from you. Here are some responses to your questions.

1. (b) (5) - ACP



2. (b) (5) - ACP

Let me know if you need any more information.

Attached is the briefing on on public meetings. I am also sending you a press release that we issued a few weeks ago.

On Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 11:47 AM, Moody, Aaron <aaron.moody@sol.doi.gov> wrote:

Hi Tyler:

I was wondering if you could give me some (b) (5) - ACP [REDACTED]. Any info you have would be much appreciated.....

First, I was generally wondering if you guys have a briefing paper and/or is this on the list of briefings for folks here? If so, would you be able to share?

Here are my more specific questions:

1. (b) (5) - ACP ? (b) (5) DPP Anything else?
2. (b) (5) - ACP . (b) (5) DPP Any other info?

3. (b) (5) - ACP [REDACTED] . (b) (5) DPP [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

4. (b) (5) - ACP [REDACTED] . (b) (5) DPP [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Any other info on that?

Any other updates?

Thanks for any help! Hope all is well.....

-Aaron

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February 13, 2017

Mr. Edwin L. Roberson  
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*Re: Documents Relating to Land Within the Monticello Field Office Planning Area*

Dear Mr. Roberson,

Thank you for your assistance with providing us with public information regarding land within the Monticello Field Office's planning area.

To the extent they are available, please provide us with copies of documents, maps, and GIS datasets and shapefiles relating to or depicting the following information relating to the planning area:

The number, type, and duration of permits requested or issued from 2005 to present for recreational activities (commercial or otherwise) conducted within the area that is now the Bears Ears National Monument. Please also provide documents reflecting the identity of the persons to whom the permits were issued or by whom the permits were requested, the number of persons permitted or requested to be permitted to participate in the activities, and the revenue received by the BLM for the permits.

The number and type of visitation from 2005 to the present, including data reflecting visitor use days and overnight visits, to the area that is now the Bears Ears National Monument.

The activities (commercial or otherwise) for which permits were requested or issued from 2005 to the present within the area that is now the Bears Ears National Monument, the revenue received by the BLM for the permits, the location for which the activity was permitted or requested to be permitted, the number of permits requested or issued, a quantification of the activity permitted (e.g. cords of wood permitted to be cut, persons permitted to camp, etc.), and any funds remitted to the State or San Juan County relating to the permitted activity.

Permits requested or issued for paleontological or archaeological activities on land within what is now the Bears Ears National Monument, including surveys, inventories, excavations and other activities. Please also provide documents reflecting the locations of and the types of paleontological or archaeological resources for which the permits were requested or issued. Please provide GIS datasets and shapefiles, maps, and other documents relating to or reflecting the location of the requested or issued permits and

paleontological and archaeological resources and depicting any Paleontology Condition System analyses conducted within the planning area.

Reports and updates submitted to the Chairman of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation as required by Executive Order 13287, *Preserve America*.

Leases requested or issued for any coal, oil, gas, or other production within the area that is now the Bears Ears National Monument, the revenue received by BLM from the leases, production from the leases, funds remitted to the State or San Juan County from the leases, and the location of the requested or issued leases. Please also provide information regarding applications for permits to drill, expressions of interest, and project planning areas within the area that is now the Bears Ears National Monument, including the revenue received by the BLM relating to the applications and the location of the proposed drilling operations.

Location of all active mining operations and any requested expansion of mining operations within the area that is now the Bears Ears National Monument. Please provide information regarding the material being mined, revenue received by BLM for the operations, production from the operations, funds remitted to the State or San Juan County from the operations, and the location of the operations.

Location of all existing mining claims within the area that is now the Bears Ears National Monument. Please include information regarding the mineral claimed and any actions taken to develop the claim.

Number of AUMs currently permitted on grazing allotments within the area that is now the Bears Ears National Monument.

Sensitive, candidate, threatened, or endangered species habitat, relict and near-relict vegetation locations, and protected activity centers

Areas withdrawn for public water preservation and areas withdrawn from mineral entry.

Any specialized management plans for any ACECs, SRMAs, or other special management plans for land within what is now the Bears Ears National Monument.

We also request that we be provided with the following documents and information:

Electronic copies of the GIS datasets and shapefiles containing information used to create the following maps associated with the 2008 Resource Management Plan preparation and analysis. These maps are further described in Exhibit A.

**Maps 1-20** for the Record of Decision.

**Maps 3, 17 – 20** for the Proposed Resource Management Plan/Final EIS

Please provide the foregoing maps and underlying information, including any revisions that have been made to the data since the maps were originally published in 2008.

Electronic copies of the GIS datasets and shapefiles containing the information itemized below. This information was depicted in Maps 1 through 24b of the "Background Documents" relating to the 2008 RMP analysis and in Figures 9-1, 11-1, 11-2, 12-1, 13-1, 13-2, and 15-2 of the Analysis of Management Situation. Please provide this information, as well as any revisions that have been made to the datasets since the maps were originally published in 2005.

Surface Management Status

Leasable Minerals

Locatable Minerals

Saleable Minerals

General Geology

Location, occurrence and development potential for oil and gas plays, porous carbonate buildup plays, coal deposits, potash and salt deposits, tar sand deposits, uranium/vanadium deposits, copper deposits, placer gold deposits, limestone deposits, sand and gravel deposits, building stone deposits, and clay deposits

Oil and Gas Fields, Pipelines, and Wells

Recreation Facilities

Recreation Opportunity Spectrum Classifications

Riparian Vegetation Communities

Vegetation Types and Main Vegetation Communities

Mineral Conditions for Use

Electronic copies of GIS datasets and shapefiles, maps, and other documents relating to or reflecting the location of Native American sacred sites, traditional cultural properties, sites of religious or cultural importance, and areas of traditional uses such as hunting, fishing, gathering, wood cutting, plant gathering, and craft material gathering. Please provide information regarding the tribes that seek affiliation with each sacred site, traditional cultural property, and areas of traditional use. Please also provide me with GIS datasets and shapefiles, maps, and other documents reflecting the location of any surveys, inventories, and modeling relating to archaeological and cultural sites, including, but not limited to, predictive modeling for site densities.

Electronic copies of GIS datasets and shapefiles, maps, and other documents relating to or reflecting lands that as of December 27, 2016, were withdrawn from mineral, oil, gas, or coal entry, location, entry, or patent and lands that, as of December 27, 2017, were recommended for withdrawal from mineral, oil, gas, or coal entry, location, or patent.

Electronic copies of GIS datasets and shapefiles, maps, and other documents relating to or reflecting Extensive Recreation Management Areas and Research Natural Areas and areas of "outstanding scenic quality and high visual sensitivity" as described in the 2008 Resource Management Plan.

**EXHIBIT A**

*Titles of Maps*

**Maps 1-20 for the Record of Decision.**

- MAP 1: Planning Area
- MAP 2: Travel Plan
- MAP 3: Grazing allotments
- MAP 4: ROW Avoidance and Exclusion Areas
- MAP 5: Communication Sites, Filming Locations, and Utility Corridors
- MAP 6: Recommended Withdrawals
- MAP 7: Grazing Exclusions and Restrictions
- MAP 8: Non-WSA Areas with Wilderness Characteristics
- MAP 9: Special Recreation Management Areas
- MAP 10: Wilderness Study Areas
- MAP 11: Areas of Critical Environmental Concern and Historic Trails
- MAP 12: Wild and Scenic Rivers
- MAP 13: Off Highway Vehicle Designations
- MAP 14: Deer, Elk, Pronghorn, Bighorn, Sage-grouse, and Prairie Dog Habitat
- MAP 15: Southwest Regional GAP Vegetation
- MAP 16: Visual Resource Management
- MAP 17: Woodlands
- MAP 18: Oil and Gas Leasing
- MAP 19: Mineral Material Disposal
- MAP 20: Cultural Management Areas, Developed Sites, and Historic Trails

**Maps 3, 17-20 from Proposed Resource Management Plan/Final EIS**

- MAP 3: Fire Management Areas
- MAP 17: Potential for Oil and Gas
- MAP 18: Mineral Leasing Areas and Potential for Potash
- MAP 19: Potential for Sand and Gravel
- MAP 20: Potential for Uranium